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ATM to be held Monday

Board approves budget, ATM articles

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

WARE – Selectmen went over the Annual Town Meeting warrant at their meeting Tuesday, approving most articles, which had already been pared down by them at a May meeting.

Before doing that they approved a budget of \$30,153,928, with \$14,332,105 for town services and \$15,821,813 for the schools, including transportation and an assessment for students at Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School in Palmer. Pathfinder will also be returning \$35,000 in transportation money to the town, according to Town Manager Stuart Beckley.

The town side of the budget has been cut by \$500,000 from its original amount, according to Beckley, who developed the budget. He said it was necessary because state revenues are expected to be done, which will mean a reduction in state aid, and local revenues, such as meal taxes, will also be down.

The ATM will be held Monday, June 22, at 6:30 p.m., upstairs in the Town Hall instead of at Ware Junior Senior High School as previously planned.

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Voters say yes to sewer project

Proceeds to Annual Town Meeting

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

HARDWICK – Voters at Hardwick's Town Election Tuesday voted 179 to 63 to allow the town to borrow money and proceed with a plan to totally revamp the town's wastewater treatment plants and redo a sewer line between Eagle Hill School and Gilbertville.

The project must still be approved at the town's Annual Town Meeting on June 29, at Hardwick Elementary School, to go forward. The town is in the process of working with the USDA on a grant that could pay a large portion of the cost.

There were 257 who turned out for the election, of the town's 1,823 registered voters. There were no contested seats. Assistant Town Clerk Ryan Witkos won a write-in campaign for moderator with 66 votes and was also elected as Town Clerk. Longtime Town Clerk

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FLAG DAY HONORED with retirement of AMERICAN FLAGS



Billy McCrystal performed taps in honor of the flags to be retired at the American Legion last Sunday.

More than 3,000 flags respectfully retired

WARE – This past Sunday evening, several local veterans and Boy Scouts gathered at the American Legion Post on Maple Street for the annual Flag Retirement ceremony. Keeping with established guidelines, the event was not public and a limited number of people were allowed to take part.

Members of the Sons of the

American Legion had spent the afternoon, preparing American flags for retirement, loading up four tables with more than 3,000 collected and donated American and military flags, setting up the podium and preparing the oversized fire barrel for the disposal by flame.

Henry Deslaurier, chaplain for AMVETS Post 123, offered a

touching military prayer to open the ceremony.

John Goulette, commander of Earl F. Howe American Legion Post 123, of Ware, then continued with a touching speech about the importance of the annual event.

"On Aug. 3rd, 1949, President

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Members of American Legion Post 123, joined by representatives of VFW Post 2577, AMVETS Post 123 and Boy Scout Scout Troop 281, formed a field of honor to surround the flags about to be retired.

Dufresne wins selectman seat

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

WARREN – In a three-way race for selectman David A. Dufresne Sr. won with 309 votes over Peter H. Krawczyk, who received 258 votes, and incumbent Dario Nardi, who received 164 votes.

Tuesday's election saw a 22 percent turnout with 734 votes cast out of 3,395 registered voters in town.

Dufresne also won a five-year term on the Planning Board, which he already serves on. He said at the beginning of the race that he had checked with the state to be sure he could run for both positions at the same time.

The following were elected: Vincent J. McCaughey as moderator; Donald J. Makowski as a Board of Health member; Timothy J. Czub as Board of Health member for one year; Lisa A. Boucher, as Park Commissioner; Bruce Martin as assessor; Joan A. Lavigne, as Sewer Commissioner; Daniel R. Zrate as Cemetery Commissioner; Edward F. Londergan, as Planning Board member for one year; Drue C. King, as a Planning Board member for two years; Richard J. Eichacker as a Planning Board member for three years and Francis T. Holmes, as a Housing Authority member.

Matthew J. Peloquin, of 453 Keys Road and Andrew D. Schwenker, of 1015 Reed St., both of Warren, and Tracy L. Waz, of 33 Milk St., and James C. Wilson III, of 91 Birch Hill Road, both of West Brookfield, were elected to the Quaboag Regional School Committee.

Racial bias discussed

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

REGION – The Quaboag Hills Community Coalition heard from Meg Stone, executive director of IMPACT, an abuse prevention and safety training organization in Boston that is embedded within the disability service agency Triangle. Stone also has a master's degree in public health.

She spoke about how race affects social determinants of health and how health care providers are biased in favor of what they already do and know.

JAC Patrissi, who lead the Zoom meeting, said she asked Stone to speak to coalition members to help ground the group in how bias leads to racial disparities in healthcare and other areas.

Stone told members she was asked to do a study by a Boston Medical Center doctor who wanted to find out what would improve outcomes for chronically ill patients after they were discharged. After determining that patients knew a lot of information about their condition, Stone

School Committee chooses not to make reductions

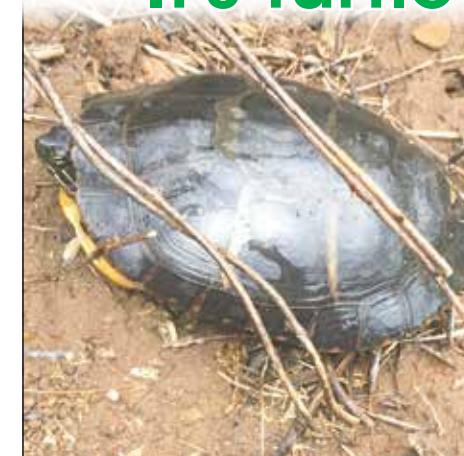
Will wait for state budget to make decisions

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

WARE – At its June 10 Zoom meeting, the School Committee could not agree on whether to have School Superintendent Dr. Marlene DiLeo develop potential cuts of 5% or 10% in the School Department's budget. This means

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It's turtle time



WARREN – It's that time of year, turtles of all kinds are on the move. Peg Gorman said the past week she has seen a lot of turtle activity as they move around, and here is just one of several she has seen traveling through her Keys Road yard.



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Residents asked to share COVID-19 stories

HARDWICK — The Hardwick Historical Society is asking the citizens of Hardwick to write their stories of how they are coping with the Covid-19 Virus. How have the closing of businesses, work places and schools affected your lives? How are you filling your time with home confinement? Have you been directly affected by the disease? Your stories will be a part of the archive of the Society and will give

future readers an idea of how our town survived this event. Writing, photos and other memorabilia are welcome. If you have questions, you may call 413-967-4002. You may mail your stories to the Society at P. O. Box 492, Hardwick, MA 01037 or call to arrange delivery. Since the virus is still a major part of our lives, there is no actual deadline for submission. Sept. 1 is a good target date.

St. Mary's Church holding food sale

WARE — St. Mary's Church in Ware will be holding a Polish Food Sale on Saturday, July 11. Frozen pierogi (\$10 per dozen) were made before COVID-19, golombki (3 for \$10), and kapusta (\$6 per quart) will be available for purchase. Curbside pickup only. Customers will be designated a pick-up time when placing their order. Payment should be exact amount, either check made out to

St. Mary's Church, or cash and placed in an envelope with the person's name, phone number and payment amount. Please call Sylvia at 413-436-9268 or Diane at 413-967-5207 to pre-order. All orders must be received by Sunday, July 5. No orders will be taken after July 5, no exceptions. They are following all CDC and Board of Health restrictions and guidelines.

Are You Old News?



Missy Pariseau and Missy Pariseau knew the identity of the four rising seniors in last week's Are you old news? They are Shawn Crevier, Mike Avery, Mike Orzech and Kim Opata.

If anyone recognized the people in this week's photo please send the answer along with your full name to ekennedy@turley.com.



Each week the Ware River News digs into its submitted photo archives and selects a people photo to publish. We need your help to help identify those pictured.

Email your answers by Monday at noon to ekennedy@turley.com.

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Teresa's, Palmer Road, 413-967-7601
Subway, West Street, 413-277-0438
Dunkin Donuts, West Street
Taco Bell, West Street, 413, 967-4898
McDonald's, West Street
Wicked Wings, 413-277-0020, hours vary

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Country Bank West Street
Monson Savings, West Street
Westfield Savings, Gibbs Crossing
North Brookfield, Main Street

Groceries

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Walmart, 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Convenience/Liquor

Brusso's, West Main Street
Jane Alden, West Street
Ware Package Store, Main Street
Cumberland Farms, West Street
Brookside Mart, West Street

Meals/Food Pick up

Children under 18
Ware Middle School, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Kidstop, Pleasant St., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Hillside Village, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Seniors, Senior Center 967-9648, ext.501,
weekdays 11:30 a.m.
Trinity Church, Jubilee Cupboard, Thursdays,
9 a.m. to noon, diapers also available
Food Bank distribution, Hillside, Third Tuesdays,
1 to 2 p.m.

Home Services

BEC Heating and Plumbing
Lowe's
Walmart
Lagrant Electric
Senior Outreach program, 413-867-3001

Pharmacies

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The Centered Place to celebrate International Yoga Day, June 21

WARREN — To celebrate International Yoga Day on Sunday, June 21, The Centered Place yoga studio is hosting two events open to the public: Introduction to Yoga from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and Introduction to Meditation from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Because of COVID-19 restrictions and concern for safety, the events will be held via Zoom.

International Yoga Day was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 2014. The bill proposing the declaration had the highest number of co-sponsors ever. International Yoga Day was first celebrated in 2015, and has been celebrated every year since.

Phil Milgrom, who co-directs The Centered Place along with his partner, Nancy Nowak, says: "The UN designated June 21st as International Yoga Day because it is the day (in the northern hemisphere) with the most sunlight.

Light and yoga go hand-in-hand, given that yoga is known for its ability to bring to light the best in you." Milgrom adds: "This is important especially now with the pandemic and social unrest. We all need to be at our best, not just physically but on all levels."

Milgrom will teach the introductory yoga and meditation sessions on International Yoga Day. The type of yoga being taught is Svaroopa yoga, an easy, gentle, safe and highly effective style of yoga. "We call it 'Yoga for Every Body,'" Milgrom says.

Each Svaroopa yoga class includes postures, breathing exercises and guided relaxation to release core tensions

along the spine. When the muscles release, the spine lengthens. "Then you feel and stand taller, and you feel so much better," Milgrom observes.

The introductory meditation session discusses the benefits of meditation in general and introduces Svaroopa Vidya meditation. "Svaroopa Vidya meditation gives you all the benefits of other meditation systems, yet it is simple and easy," Milgrom said. "It's not just watching the breath or watching your thoughts. It's more about quieting your mind so you can experience who you really are at the core. Then you come away with a profound sense of centeredness, inner strength and equanimity. Yes, it's portable: you can carry that state with you into your life, with your eyes and heart wide open."

Both events are free, with an optional donation suggested - all proceeds go to Svaroopa Vidya Ashram (www.svaroopa.org), the home of Svaroopa yoga and a spiritual resource for thousands, through free online services and onsite retreats and trainings.

To obtain more information and register for the International Yoga Day classes, or for other classes being offered weekly by The Centered Place, call 413-436-7374 or email info@thecenteredplace.com.

For a schedule of weekly classes currently being offered by The Centered Place, see www.thecenteredplace.com/online-yoga-classes. The studio hopes to open its doors again for regular classes, as soon as restrictions are lifted and safety can be assured.

Warren Public Library to start curbside hours on June 23

WARREN The Warren Public Library will be providing curbside pickup beginning Tuesday, June 23. Curbside pickup hours will be from noon to 5 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. The library is also now accepting returns via the book drop only.

Call the library at 413-436-7690 to order materials, or to use a library card online at bark.cwmars.org. Please be sure to specify Warren Public Library as the pickup library. At this time, only items already in the library are available to be picked up. Staff

will collect the items requested, check them out, and place them in a new paper bag with the patron's name on it.

When each patron's items are ready, a staff member will call them to reserve a day and time to pick up the materials. Bags will be placed on the front steps of the library at the designated day/time. If anyone has trouble using the front stairs, the library can make arrangements with them when they call to deliver them to the curb.

The library is receiving new items regularly and looks forward to serving the community once again.

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At a May meeting, the board removed all capital expense items due to expected reduced revenues and uncertainty about the state budget. COVID-19 restrictions kept people home and non-essential businesses closed, decreasing state and local revenues. The capital expense articles cut from the warrant in May will likely be taken up again at Special Town Meeting in the fall.

Selectmen also approved a temporary quorum of 25 due to COVID-19 for this year's Town Meeting, although there is an article on this year's Town Meeting warrant to lower the usual quorum of 100, but does not offer a specific number. Selectmen Chairman Alan Whitney said he would not be in favor of a quorum of less than 75, because it wouldn't be representative of the town.

The warrant includes an article to change the name of the Board of Selectmen to the SelectBoard, to better reflect that both men and women serve on the board, which would have to be done through special legislation at the State House.

Fire Commission proposed

There is also an article to create a Fire Commission to oversee the Fire Department. The commission would be made up of the selectmen. Fire Chief Christopher Gagnon had said in a previous selectmen's meeting that he did not see the need for one. The selectmen are also members of the Police Commission, which oversees the Police Department.

At Tuesday's meeting the vote to

approve the Fire Commission article was 4 to 1, with selectman Nancy Talbot voting against it. When asked why she was against it she said there had been no problems with the Fire Department, which caused Whitney and selectmen Keith Kruckas and John Carroll to call out in surprise. "Wake up, you're in a dream," Kruckas said. "Or you're in a nightmare," said Carroll.

They were referring to the ongoing issue of former Fire Chief Thomas Coulombe, who was demoted after a disciplinary hearing regarding several issues, including allegedly hiring his son, Brian Coulombe, before he was 19. Thomas Coulombe now serves as lieutenant on the Fire Department, and his son was recently terminated from the Fire Department, although the town would not say why.

The Planning Commission has also put forth new zoning regulations around solar energy facilities, which will be voted on by Town Meeting voters.

Charter issue

Article 26 asks voters to allow selectmen to petition the Legislature to change the home rule charter so town employees, whether part-time or full-time, can hold an elected office in Ware. If it passes it would allow those employees already serving in an elected seat to finish out their terms. Kruckas put forth the article, which he said would help selectmen and other boards get business done more efficiently.

"If you think it makes it any easier up here, you're wrong," said Kruckas, of having town employees serving on elected town boards. "It ties the hands of this board and

WARE SELECTMEN'S NOTEBOOK

WARE — Ware selectmen John Carroll and Tracy Opalinski were thanked for their service to the town by the other selectmen as they are not running for re-election to their seats. The Town Election will be held on June 29.

At its Tuesday meeting the selectmen approved temporary outdoor dining to Wicked Wings Ware at 136 Pleasant St., Crystal Springs Dairy Bar, at 166 West St. and Hannah Devine's on Main Street. Wicked Wings will extend its patio seating into its parking lot, Crystal Springs will expand into the shopping center parking lot and Hannah Devine's will use the All Saints Church rectory driveway and parking lot. Phase 2 of easing the restrictions due to COVID-19 includes restaurants being able to offer outdoor dining to bring diners back while meeting social distancing restrictions that remain in place. Health Director Judy Metcalf said she has been working with local businesses, including restaurants, so they can re-open and meet all requirements necessary due to COVID-19.

Selectmen requested that

Hardwick selectmen and Hardwick Town Administrator Theresa Cofske attend the next selectmen's meeting to discuss the town's agreement to provide ambulance service to Hardwick. The current contract's end date is June 30, although a 90-day notice is required if either party wish to cancel it. Ware selectmen have expressed concerns that it is costing more than \$60,000 to provide the services to Hardwick, which is what the current contract calls for.

Selectmen approved the Complete Streets Priorities plan, developed by Town Planner Rebekah DeCoursey. It will now be submitted to the state, and Ware can be considered for Complete Streets funding of up to \$400,000 a year if the state approves it.

Selectmen approved an application for a deficit spending request to be submitted to the Department of Revenue as a backup in case Ware's Annual Town Meeting cannot be held by June 30. It is currently scheduled to be held on June 22 at Ware Town Hall. The state has asked communities to make the request so if the meetings can't be held there

aren't a great deal of requests coming in at the same time.

Selectmen approved a six-month extension to Forefront Solar, which has proposed building a solar energy facility on the former Banas farm and former landfill properties on Robbins Road.

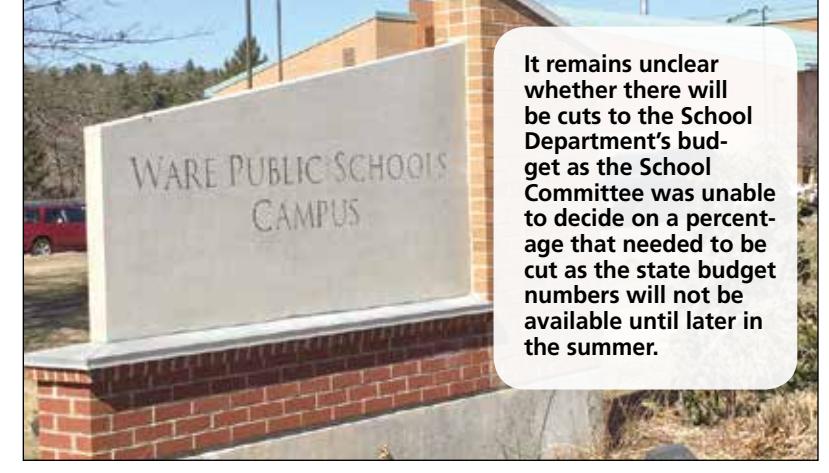
Health Director Judy Metcalf said there are two erosion sites on the ground cover over the landfill, which need to be addressed and because the project has continued beyond what was envisioned, the town has to keep mowing the property at a cost of \$1,300 to \$1,500 a year.

The erosion spots must be addressed per order of the Department of Environmental Protection.

Selectmen included conditions that Forefront has to address the eroded areas and either mow the land or pay the town for mowing it. Forefront leases the property for \$500 a month.

Selectmen appointed Devin Peterson to a three-year term on the Finance Committee.

It remains unclear whether there will be cuts to the School Department's budget as the School Committee was unable to decide on a percentage that needed to be cut as the state budget numbers will not be available until later in the summer.



Since neither vote was successful no letters will be going to teachers by June 15, and if cuts are found to be necessary, they will be made later in the summer when budget numbers are firmer.

Desjardins said making layoffs before knowing what the state budget would include would be bad for morale among teachers and professionals. "They've turned their careers around in how they have to function and do their job," he said.

DiLeo told the School Committee members that she has

heard numbers as high as 20% cuts in Chapter 70 education money, but there is no real certainty about what the state budget will look like.

DiLeo did identify 10% worth of cuts in preparation for last week's meeting that included a reduction in teachers and cuts in the technology and building and grounds budgets, she said.

Town Manager Stuart Beckley, who was also on the Zoom meeting, said he had cut \$225,000 from the School Department's original level services budget for fiscal 2021.

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Paula Roberts will stay on as assistant town clerk and continue her duties as a cemetery commissioner, municipal hearing officer, non-criminal disposition clerk and parking clerk.

Selectman Julie Quink, Assessor Jennifer Kolenda was re-elected, Planning Board member Harry Commerford, Paige Agricultural Fund member Steve Prouty and Paige Memorial Library trustees James Barnes and Jacqueline Easter were all re-elected.

Kathy Hosley won a write-in campaign for assessor with nine votes, Jenna Garvey won a write-in campaign for a Planning Board seat with 21 votes and Emily Cartier won a write-in campaign for a seat on the Quabbin Regional School Committee with seven votes.

Elizabeth Cyran was elected to the Sewer Commissioner for three years and Benjamin Hanson was elected to the Sewer Commissioner for two years. No one was elected to the three-year term on the Board of Health.

Grant matches

Also remaining on the warrant are articles asking voters to approve matching funds for a \$50,000 Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund grant for structural improvements to Town Hall, and to determine how to pay for that. Beckley said the Historical Commission has received the grant and the town must come up with matching funds to be able to use it.

There are also articles requesting the town inspect and clean the water storage tanks on Anderson Road and Church Street for \$10,000, and to repair the bridge on Old Belchertown Road. There is also an article asking for approval of \$50,000 to replace a remote water meter data collector, a

data conversion computer software program and to purchase additional water meters.

There is also an article for \$25,000 to match a state Green Communities grant fund, which would be used to make various town buildings more energy efficient.

Dismissed articles

Selectmen voted to dismiss two articles, one to accept Wildflower Drive and Briar Circle as public ways, and one to discontinue a section of Quarry Street. They also dismissed an article that would have provided several thousand dollars to the Brookfield Institute, which helps area veterans and their families.

Among the items on the warrant are the town budget, various articles to allow the town to accept the grants, borrow money and conduct other financial tasks.

The articles put off to the Special Town Meeting in the fall include \$550,000 for a new fire engine, \$55,000 for a new police vehicle, \$175,000 for a payloader for the Department of Public Works, \$66,000 for a new Parks Department truck, \$225,000 for an integrated financial software package, \$38,000 for a School Department front loader tractor and \$15,000 for the Quaboag Connector.

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GUEST COLUMN

Domestic violence at higher risk during pandemic

By Mary Kociela
Guest columnist

In the current pandemic, when victims of abuse are more isolated than ever, we are seeing a rise in more serious cases. Although any case of domestic violence is serious, and potentially lethal, there are some behaviors that can indicate a higher risk. One of them is strangulation. According to the Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention, a victim who is strangulated by their intimate partner is seven times more likely to be killed by that partner.

Non-fatal strangulation is the act of choking/strangling an intimate partner, not with the intent to kill them, but rather to send the message "I can kill you." It's a terrifying means of abuse that happens with much greater frequency than you may think. In fact, in just three months since the start of social isolation practices in mid-March, there have been 18 strangulations reported to our office, and those are just the ones we know about. The number is surely much higher. In some cases, victims experience strangulation over and over at the hands of their partner, rendering them afraid for their life and afraid to call for help.

If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship and has been the victim of choking/strangulation here's some information we want you to know.

Strangulation is one of several factors known to increase risk of lethality in an intimate partner relationship. Other abuser high-risk behaviors/factors include threats to kill, access to weapons, particularly a gun, threats of suicide, stalking, animal abuse, child abuse or abuse during pregnancy, escalation of violence, untreated mental health issues and unemployment.

If you have been strangulated it's very important to seek medical attention. Even when there are no signs or symptoms at the time of the incident, symptoms can develop 48 to 72 hours later and can be potentially lethal. Signs to look for can include dizziness or seeing spots, difficulty breathing, unable to swallow, raspy voice, ringing in ears or sore throat. If you can't seek immediate medical attention call your doctor or ask a trusted adult to observe you for any of the signs listed above.

Strangulation is a felony crime in the state of Massachusetts. Call 911 or your local hotline for assistance with a restraining order or to press criminal charges. The courts are currently closed to the public but you can still access legal assistance over the phone.

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Remember you are not alone and help is available.

Mary Kociela is the director of domestic and sexual violence projects for the Northwestern District Attorney's Office.

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What to do about hungry deer and sick lilacs

Let's take a look into the archives! Both of the following questions came up this past week so perhaps a refresher course on the following topics would be helpful.

Michelle is troubled by deer in her orchard. "My apple trees have been surrounded by cages of four foot fencing since I planted them seven years ago. It has done the trick of keeping the deer away, and now the trees are quite large. My only problem is that the orchard looks unkempt. I almost never get around to cutting the grass that grows within the cages down. Is there some other type of deterrent that I can use to keep the deer from eating my apple trees? If so, I'd be able to take the fencing down and cut the grass fairly close with the lawn mower."

Deer can sure be a nuisance to apple growers. At work, the perimeter of our orchard is enclosed by a seven foot chain link fence; it is great at keeping the deer out. If cost or aesthetics prohibits you from installing something similar height-wise around your trees, head to the local grocery store or pharmacy and search out the soap aisle. Yes, you read correctly. Deodorant soap, the more fragrant the better, has been proven to scare away deer. According to "Deerproofing Your

Yard & Garden" by Rhonda Massingham Hart (Storey Publishing, \$14.95) use the soap by first drilling a hole through unwrapped bars big enough to pass a piece of cording through, then hang in the trees three feet apart from one another and three to six feet off the ground. You can also unwrap the soap and insert it into nylon stockings then simply tie it in a loose knot around a branch. Either way the smell will permeate the surrounding area enough to keep deer at distance. Dog hair, as well as human hair, also seem to work well as deterrents. Become good friends with the local groomer or hairdresser and collect their droppings, then hang bags of it around the orchard at the height and distance recommended above. Both of these solutions, although not entirely aesthetically pleasing, seem to be better alternatives than the one you presently have.

This question came from Rose who lives in Ware: "My sister-in-law's lilac has a sick look to it. The new growth is curling, turning brown and eventually dropping from the plant. Do you have any idea what could be causing this?"

Without seeing it I can't give you an exact diagnosis, but I can guess that it may be either a bacterial blight or a phytophthora fungal

blight. Both are common in wet weather, and we sure have had enough of that this spring. Symptoms of bacterial blight are splotchy leaves that turn brown and eventually die. New growth hangs in a pendulous fashion and flower buds sometimes blacken. Treat by pruning away the infected portion, as well as about six inches of healthy tissue below it. In between cuts sanitize your clippers with rubbing alcohol. Keep the bush pruned to allow good air circulation, and fertilize and lime in early spring. A fertilizer with a higher second number (phosphorus) is recommended. Phytophthora fungal blight has similar symptoms with the addition of brittle leaves and infected mature foliage. Reportedly, white-flowered lilacs are more susceptible. For a definite verdict of your problem and ways to treat it go online to the UMass Amherst's Plant Problem Diagnostics webpage and follow the directions to send them a sample.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 28 years, she has held the position of staff horticulturist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to ekennedy@turley.com with "Gardening Question" in the subject line.

SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

When should we claim our benefits?

By Russell Gloor
Guest columnist

Dear Rusty: We served overseas for several years, not earning many quarters for Social Security. However, we have made sure that we paid in over time so we can receive a benefit, but it will not amount to much. For the past several years now, we have been back in the U.S. earning some professional salaries. Now it looks like at full retirement age my husband will get \$1,147 a month, and I will get \$1,026 a month. I was born in 1957 and my husband in 1956. My first question is for the most financial benefit, when should we each start collecting Social Security: either now or at full retirement age? My second question is will our amounts change because we are married and both collecting? Signed: Overseas Worker

Dear Overseas Worker: To answer your second question first, no, your benefit amounts will not change because you are married and both collecting. Based upon the numbers you provided, neither of you will be eligible for a "spousal boost" from the other because your benefit amounts at your FRA are too similar, so maximizing your individual benefits should be your goal.

As for your other question, when you should start collecting depends upon a number of factors, including your financial needs and, importantly, your expected longevity. Both of you can get the maximum benefit available to you by waiting until you are 70 years old to claim, but that only makes sense if you are in good health and expect at least average longevity (about 84 for a man and 87 for a woman).

If you claim benefits before you reach your full retirement age (66 1/2 for you and 66 plus 4 months for your husband), those benefits will be cut. If you collect now, your benefit would be cut by about 27% and your husband's by about 22% (based upon your respective years of birth). Further, if you claim before your full retirement ages and continue to work, you'll be subject to Social Security's earnings test, which limits the amount you can earn before they take back some of your benefits (the 2020



earnings limit is \$18,240; if you exceed that they'll take back half of anything you earn over the limit). The earnings limit changes annually but goes away at your FRA.

At your full retirement ages, you'll be entitled to 100% of the benefits you've earned from your lifetime of working (approximately the amounts estimated now). If you can and do wait beyond your full retirement age (FRA), for each month you delay you'll earn delayed retirement credits of 2/3 of 1% per month of delay (8% per year of delay), up to age 70 when your maximum benefit is reached. As a point of information, if you wait until your full retirement age to claim, you will have collected the same amount of money at age 78 as if you had claimed at age 62; and if you wait until age 70 to claim you'll have collected the same amount of money at age 82 as if you had collected at your full retirement age. If you live at least until "average" longevity, you'll collect more in cumulative Social Security benefits by waiting.

So, when should you claim? If you're still working and earning "professional salaries,"

then waiting at least until your full retirement age would be a wise choice. If you expect at least average longevity and don't need the money right away, waiting until age 70 would be a prudent strategy. But if you don't work and expect less than average longevity, then claiming at any time you need the money would be a reasonable decision. This is a choice only each of you can make.

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Russell Gloor is a Social Security advisor for AMAC.

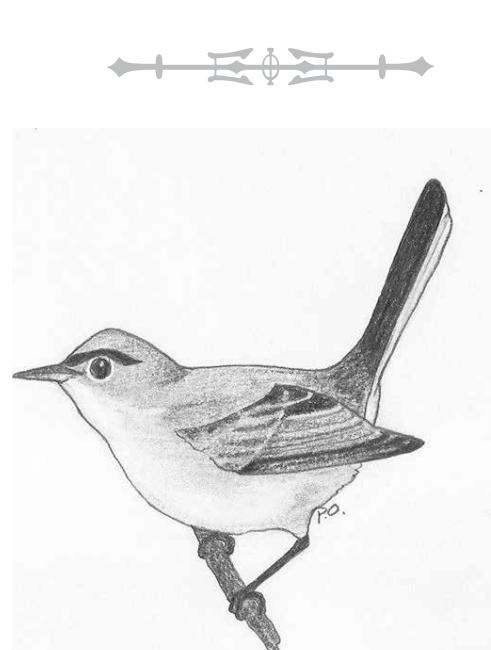
By Ellenor Downer

in their yard. They hope it will be a regular visitor.

Nesting bald eagles

Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) announces it has already documented over 70 active bald eagle nests throughout Massachusetts this spring. MassWildlife has seen a dramatic uptick in newly documented eagle nests this year and has confirmed nine new nests in Fitchburg, Wenham, Concord, Rutland, Wareham, Medford, Northampton, Hudson and Barnstable. The new Barnstable nest marks the first nest with eggs on Cape Cod in 115 years; the last was in Sandwich in 1905. Lake Winnisquam in New Hampshire where I have a camp has a nesting pair of eagles on an island at the southern end of the lake. My camp is at the northern end of the lake.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by calling me at 413-967-3505, leaving a message at extension 100 or emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edownr@turley.com.



Paula Ouimette, the author's daughter, drew this male blue-gray gnatcatcher.

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Nesting bluebirds

An Oakham couple has bluebirds nesting in their backyard. Recently, they saw a fledgling bluebird perched on the roof of the special bluebird feeder. Its father was feeding it. They also have five eggs in one of their bluebird houses. They also saw a scarlet tanager, but they have not seen it since the initial sighting.

Pileated woodpecker

My daughter, Jenny, and family had a pileated woodpecker hammering away on a log

Pathfinder refunds \$100,000 to towns

PALMER — In a continuing effort to assist member towns with current and future budget concerns, the Pathfinder Regional School Committee approved two measures last week that should give the towns a bit of good news. At its June 10 meeting, members voted unanimously for Business Manager Greg Falcone's recommendation to return \$100,000 of fiscal 2020 funds to the towns in the form of a check for their proportional share: Belchertown \$18,493; Granby \$3,767; Hardwick \$4,795; Monson \$13,186; New Braintree \$1,027; Oakham \$2,568; Palmer \$27,397; Ware \$19,349; and Warren \$9,418.

"While each town's refund was relatively small, every dollar counts in these uncertain times," said Pathfinder Superintendent Gerald Paist. He also stated that the School Committee hoped to create a feeling of good will along with the dollars.

In other related business, the committee also unanimously approved a recommendation by Falcone to reduce the fiscal 2021 budget to a zero percent increase. The original increase was 1.8%. Revised assessments forwarded to towns this week were Belchertown \$1,328,386; Granby \$324,887; Hardwick \$298,817; Monson \$1,056,472; New Braintree \$83,330; Oakham \$212,339; Palmer \$1,748,045; Ware \$1,101,679; Warren \$505,612. Several items make up a town's assessment, but the major component is the number of students from that town at Pathfinder.

"We are still weeks away from knowing how much state aid Pathfinder will receive, but we anticipate a significant reduction," Paist said. "That may cause us to revise the assessments again."

Notice to Ware residents regarding water restrictions

WARE — The town is required through its Water Management Act Permit to enact seasonal limits on non-essential outdoor water use. These requirements are to ensure an adequate supply of water for drinking water, to sustain aquatic life in our water bodies and to protect the environment. The Water Department has a choice of instituting these restrictions on an annual basis beginning May 1 each year or based on streamflow triggers in the Ware River. The Water Department has chosen the streamflow triggered approach. We currently need to enact these requirements when the streamflow in the Ware River at the USGS local stream gage at Gibbs Crossing is lower than a predetermined threshold for three consecutive days. The restriction can be lifted when the threshold limit has been exceeded for seven consecutive days.

That condition requiring water use restrictions was met on June 10, thus the town is required to implement these restrictions. There is to be no nonessential outdoor water use from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. effective immediately. This restriction will remain in place until the Ware River is above the threshold for seven consecutive days.

Nonessential outdoor water use shall mean those uses that are not required: for health or safety reasons; by regulation; for the production of food and fiber; for the maintenance of livestock; or to meet the core functions of a business (for example, irrigation by golf courses as necessary to maintain tees and greens, and limited fairway watering, or irrigation by plant nurseries or agricultural operations as necessary to maintain stock or establish new plantings, wash equipment to prevent damage and/or maintain performance, pest management and plant cooling).

Nonessential outdoor water uses that are subject to mandatory restrictions include: irrigation of lawns via sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems; washing of vehicles, except in a commercial car wash or as necessary for operator safety or to prevent damage and/or maintain performance of agricultural or construction vehicles or equipment; and washing of exterior building surfaces, parking lots, driveways or sidewalks, except as necessary to apply paint, preservatives, stucco, pavement or cement.

All customers of the Ware water system need to comply with these restrictions during these hours. Water can be used for non-essential purposes outside of these hours. Anyone caught ignoring these requirements will be given a warning for the first offense and subsequent offenses will result in actions including fines and water shut offs as permitted by applicable town bylaws and regulations.

Anyone with questions should not hesitate to contact the Ware Water Department at 413-967-9620.

Endicott College announces local dean's list student

BEVERLY — Endicott College, the first college in the U.S. to require internships of its students, is pleased to announce its spring 2020 dean's list students. In order to qualify for the dean's list, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no letter grade below "C," have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

Kaelyn Sieger, of Warren, is among those named to the dean's list at Endicott College for the spring 2020 semester. Sieger is majoring in exercise science and is the daughter of Sonia Sieger and Keith Sieger.

Juried Exhibition of Traditional Realism to be held Sept. 26

WARE — Workshop13 and Northeast Fine Arts have announced their annual juried exhibition of traditional realism will be held on Sept. 26, from 1 to 4 p.m., at Workshop13, 13 Church St.

Online submissions are due Aug. 29, by 9 p.m., with awards in seven categories. There will also be a best of show award, which brings with it \$1,000. The categories include oil, acrylic (including casein and egg tempera), and water color painting, sculpture, drawing/graphics, pastel and mixed media.

The plan for a live exhibit is pending current circumstances. If necessary, the venue may be changed to an all online exhibition.

For more information go online to www.workshop13.org/gallery.

Second Chance low-cost spay/neuter program resumes

NORTH BROOKFIELD — Second Chance Animal Services is taking on many challenges in resuming low-cost spay/neuter at their three nonprofit veterinary hospitals. The popular program that offers pet owners an affordable option to have their pet fixed was put on hold as the COVID-19 pandemic began affecting the region in March, postponing hundreds of appointments indefinitely.

As critical supplies became more readily available, Second Chance focused efforts on carefully resuming the program.

The Springfield and Worcester spay/neuter programs have fully resumed in late May, while the North Brookfield program remains limited to accommodate the increased need for emergency surgeries at this time. With some veterinary hospitals still closed or limiting services, Second Chance continues to see twice their normal caseload of emergencies.

Second Chance CEO Sheryl

Blancato wants pet owners to know just how hard Second Chance is working to schedule the backlog of appointments. "We really, really hated to suspend several of our programs like spay/neuter because we know just how much pet owners rely on them, and how important they are to the health of pets in our community. There are currently hundreds of applications awaiting scheduling on top of the rescheduling postponed appointments. We regret the unavoidably long wait. We're doing everything we can to get caught up as quickly as possible."

Dedicated staff are calling pet owners in the order their application or message was received. Pet owners who have already submitted an application are encouraged to be patient and make sure their voicemail is able to receive messages. Anyone with an urgent spay/neuter need such as pyometra should call the veterinary care line to see which hospital can assist.

New spay/neuter applications can be submitted at secondchanceanimal.org.

Second Chance is currently working on plans to resume further programs in late June and July. Interested pet owners can watch for future announcements on the nonprofits website and Facebook page.

Second Chance is a nonprofit 501c3 tax exempt organization that began in 1999 in East Brookfield and relies solely on donations from grants to operate. The organization operates an adoption center in East Brookfield, Community Veterinary Hospitals in North Brookfield, Springfield, and Worcester. Second Chance helps over 40,000 pets a year through adoption, spay/neuter, veterinary care, community outreach, educational outreach programs, training, and a pet food pantry. For more information, visit Second Chance's website at www.secondchanceanimal.org.



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Flags were gathered to be retired at the American Legion Post 123 on Maple Street last Sunday.



Henry Deslaurier, chaplain for AMVETS Post 123, offered a touching military prayer to open the ceremony.

Each flag was retired by being placed in the barrel and burned at the American Legion Post last Sunday.



John Goulette, commander of Earl F. Howe American Legion Post 123, of Ware, spoke about the importance of the annual retirement of American flags on Flag Day.

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Harry S. Truman, himself a proud Legionnaire, signed into law that June 14th to be Flag Day. This follows a resolution that has been serving this nation since 1777. The Second Continental Congress passing a resolution approving the design of a national flag," said Goulette. He then spoke of the history of our nation's colors. "It is not the wind that moves the nations colors, but the last breath of every veteran who has served this great nation," he said.

Members of American Legion Post 123, joined by representatives of VFW Post 2577, AMVETS Post 123 and Boy Scout Troop 281, formed a field of honor to surround the flags about to be retired. Billy McCrystal performed taps in honor of the flags to be retired.

"This day is one that we feel so honored to be a part of," said Dan Flynn, Scoutmaster of the local Boy Scout Troop 281. "To see thousands of flags brought each year to the Legion Hall for this purpose really humbles you as a citizen. We normally have the entire troop present but only were asked to provide an Honor Detail of three scouts."

After the ceremony, for the next hour, veterans and Scouts slowly fed the fire as each flag was gently placed into the barrel.

The morning after this ceremony, one of the veterans will take up all the grommets from the ashes and they will also be retired" said Flynn. "Every bit of what served us will be retired with respect. We are fortunate to have these dedicated military organizations serving our community."

During the year, flags can be dropped off to the American Legion Hall. A drop-off bin is located next to the shed for people to leave their flags.

PRICING UPDATE: We have some good news to report here at 90 Meat – FALLING PRICES! In addition to our sales items, regular prices of most fresh beef, pork, and chicken dropped for the first time today since before this pandemic started. Now we understand they are not back to “normal” but we anticipate this trend to continue for the next few weeks. We are optimistic that soon we will achieve our ultimate goal of **B.C. Pricing – Before Corona Pricing.**

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Scouts from Ware Boy Scout Troop 281 helped form a field of honor around the American flags before they were retired.

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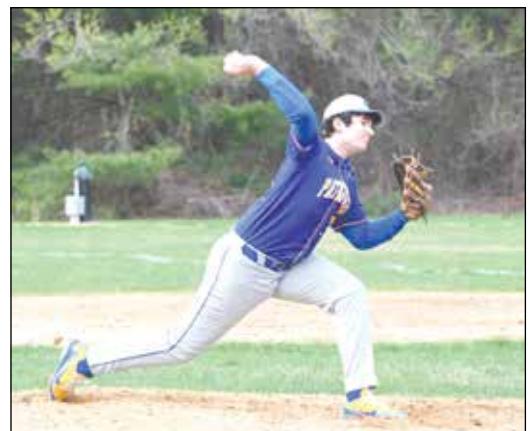
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Mathias Wilke fields a grounder on the run for Pathfinder during action last year.



Dylan Piscioner hurls for the Pioneers against Granby last season.



Nathan Dubois stretches to try and get the out at first base.

Pioneers seniors were ready to take the field

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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PALMER – The Pathfinder Regional High School baseball team had some great talent returning to the lineup this spring. The Pioneers unfortunately did not get an opportunity to show what they had this season.

Coach Phillip Gallo had lots of compliments for his players as he reflected on the season not happening this year.

Isaiha Perez would have been at second once again this year after being tabbed for action last year as a junior. He also was an effective pitcher.

"Isaiha was pressed into being our starting catcher his junior year," said Gallo. "Even though it was not his natural position he gutted it out for us. Once our starting catcher was able to return Isaiha took over the starting spot at second base. He was exceptional defensively and after starting the season 2-for-24 he raised his average to near .300 by seasons end. Isaiha also pitched very effectively towards the end of the season and was likely to be an effective weapon in our bullpen had we played in 2020."

Hunter Nicoson had a great season last year and was with the varsity for three years as a starting outfielder.

"Hunter was phenomenal defensively in center and after struggling against varsity pitching his sophomore year he exploded his junior year spending much of the season with an average above .400 earning



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Catcher Isaiha Perez dives for the tag at the plate.

All-Western Mass. honorable mention in 2019," said Gallo. "Hunter always played hard and never left the field with a clean uniform."

Dylan Piscioner was the ace of the pitching staff as a first-year varsity player last year.

"Dylan loves the game and is one of the more coachable players I had," said Gallo. "He provided a big bat as our designated hitter his junior year and was poised to be a great asset and leader to our team as a senior."

Nate Dubois was a middle

infielder for most of his life and stepped up to play first base for the Pioneers. Gallo said he took to the position well.

"Nate stepped up and became a great defensive first baseman where he started all 20 games for us his junior year," said Gallo. "Nate had a smooth left handed swing that really came around at the end of his junior year and was slated to be the No. 2 hitter in our lineup in 2020."

Justin Katawicz saw limited varsity action as a pitcher last year and was slated to start in the outfield.

"He was competing to be our starting right fielder in 2020 and would have also been one of our relief pitchers," said Gallo.

Mathias Wilke made varsity as a junior. He took over at shortstop and had a great glove at the position.

"Mathias earned All-Western Mass. second team honors his junior year," said Gallo. "Mathias was also an effective weapon on the mound who had a great curveball. Mathias was one of those players you love to have on your team."

Modified series to return July 4

SEEKONK, Mass. – Tri Track Open Modified Series officials announced on Tuesday the 2020 season opener will take place at Monadnock Speedway on Saturday, July 4. The series will celebrate Independence Day with the first event of the season after a two-month delay due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tri Track has developed a list of strict guidelines to ensure the safety of race teams, drivers, staff and fans. Guidance provided by the state of New Hampshire and local officials, along with CDC recommendations were all used to come up with best practices.

Race teams will receive an email from series officials with a full list of guidelines and event information and are encouraged to contact series officials with questions.

Teams will be restricted to 10 crew members per car, including the driver and car owner, and face coverings are strongly encouraged when social distancing is not possible. Tri track officials will use face coverings. Social distancing protocols will be in place and teams are asked not to enter another competitor's pit stall to avoid groups larger than 10.

Fans are allowed at the track due to guidance provided by the state of New Hampshire that allows the track to operate at 50 percent of capacity.

The Tri Track Open Modified Series management realizes that some of the guidelines being imposed are not ideal, but we are working to ensure that the health and safety of competitors, team members, officials, employees and fans is paramount at this time.

"It's been a long wait to get the season rolling and we're so happy we are getting back to the track," Wayne Darling, Managing Partner of the Tri Track Open Modified Series, said. "We are expecting a stout entry list for this event and look forward to getting our season back on track, while making sure we keep everyone safe."

Names like defending series champion Ronnie Williams, who drives for veteran Gary Casella, former champion Matt Hirschman, nicknamed 'Money Matt' and multiple-time series winners Ron Silk and Chase Dowling are expected to be in the list of favorites.

Don't count out drivers like Matt Swanson, Woody Pitkat, Tommy Barrett, and Mike Willis, among others. The Tri Track Open Modified Series is known for a talent-laden field including some of the top modified drivers in the entire Northeast region.

Monadnock's event will pay \$6,000 to win, \$3,250 for second and \$2,600 for third. All drivers that qualify for the feature race will take home at least a \$1,000 prize. There have been no changes made to the purse structure following the COVID-19 pandemic.

New for 2020, the Pepsi Challenge begins with heat and consi races paying the winner. Courtesy of Pepsi, each heat and consi will pay \$300 to win, giving drivers every extra incentive to step on the loud pedal during the qualifying races.

Registration for Monadnock remains open at \$150 for just the one event, or \$450 for the entire season. The \$450 amount is only in place for teams that register by the time of entry into Monadnock. Teams that have already registered do not need to register again. Those who have not must visit trittrackmodifieds.com and the team info tab to fill out their registration.

Teams will be asked to contact Michelle at the Monadnock track office at 603-239-4067 with their car number and list of 10 people entering on their crew.

If a team does not have 10 people, just be ready to provide the people you have planning on attending. Teams can pre-order tires at Hoosier Tire East begin-

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Valley Wheel Baseball looking at early July open

REGION – The Valley Wheel Over-30 Baseball League is seeking new players for the upcoming 2020 season. The league is seeking players ages 28 and up. Players turning 28 this year are eligible. However, only players 30 and older can pitch. The league plays 15 regular season games with games being held mostly on Sundays with a couple of weekday games thrown in the mix. However, due to the current circumstances, the league schedule has been pushed back. The league still plans to play its season once bans on gatherings are lifted. The league is projecting tryouts in late June with an early July start to the game schedule. The league is built on comradery, fair play, and having a good time with friends. If interested in trying out, go to www.valleywheelbaseball.com. The rules of the league and new player forms can be found on the site. For further information, you can contact the league's commissioner, Jim Nason at wheell12@comcast.net or call him at (413) 433-4308. Tryouts will be take place as soon as conditions are allowed, but new player applications are still being accepted.

Schedule released for college tip-off tourney

UNCASVILLE, Conn. – The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame announced today the field of teams and brackets for the 2020 Tip-Off Tournament. The annual NCAA men's exempt tournament sponsored by the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference will take place Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22 at Mohegan Sun Arena in Uncasville, Connecticut. Eight schools will compete in two four-team brackets with campus round games leading up to the Mohegan Sun contests.

Teams scheduled to participate in this year's Tip-Off Tournament are: University of Central Florida (American Athletic), Marquette University (Big East), University of Minnesota (Big Ten), University of Rhode Island (Atlantic 10), University at Albany (America East), Lehigh University (Patriot League), Long Island University (Northeast), and Quinnipiac University (Metro Atlantic).

"The Hall of Fame Tip-Off Tournament has proven to

be one of the best early season events in the country, offering great competition and an outstanding venue," said John L. Doleva, President and CEO of the Basketball Hall of Fame. "We look forward to hosting this year's field of teams and their fans at beautiful Mohegan Sun."

The Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference will continue to serve as the host conference for the annual event. The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame is also proud to continue its relationship with Learfield IMG College for sponsorship representation of its portfolio of collegiate events.

Ticket information, game times and television broadcast details will be released at a later date. As the health and safety of the athletes, fans and staff is of the utmost importance, the Basketball Hall of Fame will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation closely in the coming months and provide updates as needed. For more information, please visit www.halloffame-metipoff.com.

Adult league starts practice

REGION – With Phase 2 of the re-opening plan underway, some adult leagues have started practicing, hoping the timeline will allow games to begin playing shortly after June 30. The Valley Wheel League is currently accepting new players with a 5 to 10 game season planned, depending on how well the re-opening plan goes.



Ken LePage tries to get the out at first.



The Angels' Gary Perreault, a graduate of Chicopee Comp, makes a throw to first.



Bryan Forest fields a ground ball during a Valley Wheel game last season.



The Valley Wheel League is looking for new players and tryouts are open now.

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Friday, June 5

8:45 a.m. Accident, Vehicle West Street – Motor Vehicle Accident Over \$1,000
8:49 a.m. Accident, Vehicle West Street – Services Rendered
8:26 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Belchertown Road – Citation Issued
10:30 p.m. Disturbance Pulaski Street – Area Searched Negative Find

Saturday, June 6

2:58 a.m. Alarm Burglar South Street – Area Searched Negative Find
3:46 a.m. Suspicious Activity/ Person West Street – Arrest, Misdemeanor Charge
Arrest: Gliffaud Gelin, 31, Ware

OUI-Liquor or .08%; License Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With, Subsequent Offense; Alcohol in Motor Vehicle, Possess Open Container of; Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle
9:48 a.m. Erratic Operator Complaint East Street – Area Searched Negative Find

11:36 a.m. Suspicious Activity/ Person South Street – Services Rendered

12:38 p.m. Erratic Operator Complaint North Street – Area Searched Negative Find

3:11 p.m. Ambulance Request River Road – Services Rendered
4:12 p.m. Ambulance Request River Road – Services Rendered

7:24 p.m. Ambulance Request Pulaski Street – Services Rendered
8:15 p.m. Vandalism Pulaski Street – Investigated, Report Filed
8:16 p.m. Abandoned, 911 Call South Street – Services Rendered
10:22 p.m. Disturbance West Street – Services Rendered

Sunday, June 7

3:59 a.m. Ambulance Request Pulaski Street – Referred to Other Agency

8:30 a.m. Accident, Vehicle West Warren Road – Referred to Other Agency

10:17 a.m. Ambulance Request West Street – Referred to Other Agency

10:35 a.m. Abandoned, 911 Call Palmer Road – Services Rendered

12:40 p.m. Ambulance Request Wildflower Drive – Services Rendered

1:17 p.m. Alarm Burglar North Street – False Alarm

3:50 p.m. Erratic Operator Complaint Vernon Street – Services Rendered

4:31 p.m. Disturbance Otis Avenue – Services Rendered

4:39 p.m. Neighbor Dispute Eddy Street – Services Rendered

6:07 p.m. Disturbance West

Street – Area Searched Negative Find

6:09 p.m. Ambulance Request Church Street – Referred to Other Agency

6:34 p.m. Harassment Complaint North Street – Investigation Pending

8 p.m. Disturbance Beaver Lake Road – Services Rendered
8:22 p.m. Ambulance Request West Street – Services Rendered

8:29 p.m. Abandoned, 911 Call Church Street – Services Rendered

9:12 p.m. Ambulance Request Hillside Village – Services Rendered

9:55 p.m. Ambulance Request Morse Avenue – Referred to Other Agency

Monday, June 8

5:49 a.m. Alarm Fire South Street – Services Rendered

6:12 a.m. Alarm Burglar West Street – Services Rendered

8:54 a.m. Erratic Operator Complaint Gilbertville Road – False Alarm

9:33 a.m. Abandoned, 911 Call Cummings Street – Services Rendered

11:06 a.m. Fraud Coldbrook Drive – Services Rendered

12:03 p.m. Fraud Fisherwick Road – Services Rendered

1:15 p.m. Larceny, Theft Report Palmer Road – Investigation Pending

2:37 p.m. Fraud Meadow Road – Services Rendered

5:21 p.m. Alarm Burglar Bank Street – False Alarm

5:59 p.m. Burglary/Breaking and Entering Bank Street – Unfounded Complaint

6:56 p.m. Erratic Operator Complaint Main Street – Area Searched Negative Find

8:55 p.m. Suspicious Activity/ Person Main Street – Criminal Complaint Issued

10:24 p.m. Ambulance Request Hillside Village – Referred to Other Agency

11:04 p.m. Ambulance Request Hillside Village – Services Rendered

Tuesday, June 9

1:48 a.m. Alarm Fire South Street – No Police Service Necessary

3:40 a.m. Alarm Fire South Street – Referred to Other Agency

5:49 a.m. Hang-up, 911 Call Gareau Avenue – Area Searched Negative Find

11:18 a.m. Larceny, Theft Report Vernon Street – Investigation Pending

1:03 p.m. Arrest Church Street – Arrest, Misdemeanor Charge

Arrest: Mark W. Greenwood, 39, Ware

Disorderly Conduct

1:50 p.m. Ambulance Request Old Belchertown Road – Services Rendered

2:39 p.m. Ambulance Request Old Poor Farm Road – Services Rendered

3:31 p.m. Parking Complaint Church Street – Citation Issued

6:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Violation Belchertown Road – Citation Issued

6:28 p.m. Ambulance Request Horseshoe Circle – Referred to Other Agency

8:21 p.m. Erratic Operator Complaint North Street – Arrest, Misdemeanor Charge

Arrest: Maxim A. Charles, 42, Turners Falls

OUI-Liquor or .08%; Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle; Marked Lanes Violation

Wednesday, June 10

8:38 a.m. Abandoned, 911 Call West Street – Services Rendered

12:40 p.m. Ambulance Request Old Belchertown Road – Services Rendered

2:33 p.m. Ambulance Request Highland Village – Services Rendered

2:38 p.m. Harassment Complaint North Street – Referred to Other Agency

4:26 p.m. Suspicious Activity/ Person North Street – Area Searched Negative Find

4:30 p.m. Ambulance Request Malboeuf Road – Referred to Other Agency

5:30 p.m. James Road – Services Rendered

1:58 p.m. Accident, Vehicle Old Belchertown Road – Motor Vehicle Accident Over \$1,000

1:59 p.m. Accident, Vehicle Old Belchertown Road – Services Rendered

3:37 p.m. Abandoned, 911 Call West Main Street – Services Rendered

5:44 p.m. Officer Wanted North Street – Arrest on Warrant

6:25 p.m. Neighbor Dispute West Street – Arrest on Warrant

7:06 p.m. Accident (Hit and Run) North Street – Motor Vehicle Accident Over \$1,000

11:28 p.m. Suspicious Activity/ Person Park Street – Area Searched Negative Find

Friday, June 12

7:41 a.m. Vandalism Monson Turnpike Road – Services Rendered

11:56 a.m. 911 – 911/Hang-up Call Prospect Street – Spoken To

7:58 p.m. 911 – Disturbance North Street – Transported to Hospital

8:10 p.m. 911 – Neighbor Dispute Hardwick Road – Investigated

11:29 p.m. Phone – Medical Emergency Church Lane – Transported to Hospital

2:59 p.m. Initiated – Trespass Lower Road – Spoken To

9:35 p.m. 911 – Motor Vehicle Accident Jackson Road – Arrest(s) Made

11:56 a.m. 911 – Animal Call Greenwich Road – Services Rendered

2:21 p.m. Initiated – Larceny/Theft/Shopping Patrill Hollow Road – Officer Handled

2:34 p.m. 911 – 911/Hang-up Call Hardwick Road – Officer Handled

2:59 p.m. Initiated – Trespass Lower Road – Spoken To

9:35 p.m. 911 – Motor Vehicle Accident Jackson Road – Arrest(s) Made

11:56 a.m. 911 – Medical Emergency Main Street – Transported to Hospital

2:59 p.m. 911 – Medical Emergency Czesky Road – Transported to Hospital

2:45 a.m. 911 – Medical Emergency North Road – Transported to Hospital

5:19 p.m. 911 – Medical Emergency Czesky Road – Transported to Hospital

8:21 a.m. Initiated – Motor Vehicle Stop Hardwick Road – Citation Issued

4:03 p.m. 911 – 911 Misdia

Sibley Road – Investigated

7:20 a.m. 911 – Lockout Pierce Road – Services Rendered

Warren Police Log

Sunday, May 31

1:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Suspicious East Road – Negative Contact

4:28 p.m. Fire, Appliance Fire Main Street – Investigated

7:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning

Monday, June 1

3:07 a.m. Motor Vehicle Suspicious Main Street – Area Search Negative

9:06 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued

Summons: Erin E. Przybycien, 31, West Warren

Uninsured Motor Vehicle; Registration Revoked, Operate Motor Vehicle With

9:39 a.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdia/ Abandoned/Silent Main Street – Confirmed Misdia

12:58 p.m. Fire, Automatic Fire Alarm Mechanic Street – Investigated

3:14 p.m. Neighbor Dispute Southbridge Road – Officer Spoke to Party

Summons: Amanda Gilcrest, 29, Warren

Assault and Battery

3:16 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Southbridge Road – Ambulance Signed Refusal

5:06 p.m. Vandalism Pine Street – Report Filed

Tuesday, June 2

1:53 a.m. Disturbance, Person(s) Main Street – Officer Spoke to Party

3:54 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Spring Street – Ambulance Signed Refusal

5:54 p.m. Assault Summer Street – Report Filed

7:30 p.m. Disturbance, Person(s) North Street – Report Filed

9:28 p.m. Fire, Motor Vehicle Old West Warren Road – Transported to Hospital

Summons: Mark J. Butler, 25, Warren

Negligent Operation of Motor Vehicle; OUI-Liquor or .08%; Marked Lanes Violation; Destruction of Property -\$1,200, Wanton c266 §127

Wednesday, June 3

7:08 a.m. Illegal Dumping Dunham Road – Report Filed

11:38 a.m. Fraud Burbank Avenue – Investigated

12:33 p.m. Motor Vehicle Erratic Washington Street – Information Taken

7:10 p.m. Disturbance, Noise Complaint Main Street – Report Filed

Thursday, June 4

11:24 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Yankee Drummer Drive – Transported to Hospital

6:24 p.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdia/ Abandoned/Silent West Brookfield – Referred to Other Agency

9:23 p.m. Disturbance, Noise Complaint Southbridge Road – Negative Contact

10:36 p.m. 911 Hang-up/ Misdia/Abandoned/Silent Maple Street – Confirmed Misdia

Friday, June 5

8:16 a.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdia/ Abandoned/Silent Prospect Street – Confirmed Misdia

2:21 p.m. Fraud Southbridge Road – Officer Advised

3:05 p.m. Fraud Winthrop Terrace – Report Filed

3:29 p.m. Fraud Maple Street – Officer Spoke to Party

3:37 p.m. Recreational Vehicle Complaint Bemis Road – Negative Contact

4:49 p.m. Fraud Boston Post Road – Officer Spoke to Party

7:44 p.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdia/ Abandoned/Silent Quaboag Street

Tuesday, June 9

1:42 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Winthrop Terrace – Transported to Hospital

4:22 a.m. Missing Person Pleasant Street – Investigation (On-Going)

7:19 p.m. Motor Vehicle Erratic Main Street – Investigated

7:20 p.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdia/ Abandoned/Silent Unknown – Negative Contact

Monday, June 8

obituaries

Irene L. Balicki

PALMER — Irene L. (Roy) Balicki, passed away peacefully in her home, surrounded by family, on Monday, June 8, 2020. She was 92 years old. Irene was born on Aug. 12, 1927, in Ware. She was the daughter of Antonio and Ethel (Hagman) Roy. She was the second eldest daughter in her family of six. Irene met Edward A. Balicki in Ware, and they became long-time sweethearts. While Edward would soon enlist to defend our country in World War II, Irene fulfilled her duty supporting our troops and nation by working at J.T. Woods, a boot factory, making essential supplies. Upon Edward's return, they were reunited and started their life-long journey together, getting married on Jan. 27, 1951, and raising four children: Peter, Phillip ("Chipper"), Michael and Petra.

Together, Irene and Edward established their family business, Balicki Auto Body Inc. and built their home on Bacon Road



where they lived out their own American Dream together for 62 years. During those years, Irene watched her family grow to 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild: Antonio, Jade, Christopher, Sarah, Michael, Michaella, Olivia, Camden, Caleb, Gabriel, Ruby, Tallulah and her great-grandson, Graham. She was better known to them as "Daddum," "Dobbin" and "Gram."

The family matriarch, she was always overjoyed at having any number of her family members stop by for an impromptu visit to say hello and catch up on life. Irene's family could always count on her to lend an ear and provide comfort, love and wisdom when they needed it most, or even when it was just to share a moment of Irene's contagious laughter together. She was a great cook and selflessly cared for her entire family always making sure no one left her home hungry. Irene looked forward to the simple

joys of life by spending as much time as she could with her family; from endless car rides and shopping trips, to playing lively and spirited card games of Pokeno and Rummy.

She is survived by her four children, her son, Peter Balicki, and partner, Lisa Donaldson, her son, Chipper, and his wife, Cheryl Balicki, her son, Michael, and his wife, Maura Balicki, and her daughter, Petra, and her husband, Greg Longtine. As per her wishes, funeral services will be private. Cebula Funeral Home of Ware has been entrusted with the final arrangements.

Irene was cherished by each of her family members. She was the heart of the family and will be missed dearly. Though she has passed, her memories and values of sacrificial and unconditional love will live on for generations to come. We love you Irene, Daddum, Dobbin Gram but above all, Mom. For more information and online guest book, please visit www.cebulafuneralhome.com.

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The family would like to thank Baystate Hospice Nurse Laurie and Aide Rose as well as the others that took time to care for our father. We would also like to thank The Cancer Center at Baystate Mary Lane where our father enjoyed many soups during his treatment. You girls were the best!

Calling hours for Carlos will be held Monday, June 22, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Charbonneau Funeral Home, 30 Pleasant St., in Ware. For everyone's health and safety along with the current regulations, masks must be worn along with social distancing of six feet. A private burial will be held in St. Mary's Cemetery in Ware.

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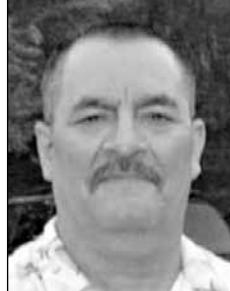
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Carlos came to the United States when he was 17. His father enrolled him into trade school to become a machinist, where he learned to speak English as well. He worked at Heco Pacific for many years before starting a family and moving to Massachusetts.

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Senate unanimously passes elections bill

Addresses voting safety concerns during COVID-19

BOSTON — The Massachusetts State Senate on Tuesday unanimously passed legislation to expand voter access and address safety for all remaining 2020 elections, including the Sept. 1, state primary and Nov. 3, general election, in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The bill, An Act relative to voting options in response to COVID-19, would, for the first time in state history, give all eligible residents the opportunity to vote early for the state primary and general election, allow residents to vote-by-mail, and expand absentee ballot access.

State Sen. Anne M. Gobi, D-Spencer, voted in favor of the bill and had this to say on its passage today, "Every vote is important and every voter and election workers is important too, and this bill is a great step in ensuring accessibility and maintaining safety protocols during this most unusual voting cycle," she said. "I especially appreciate all the input of my town clerks to make this a strong bill as well as they do everyday to ensure the integrity of elections and helping to make voting easy and accessible."

The bill does the following:

Implements an early vote-by-mail system: An application to receive an early voting ballot will be mailed to all registered voters by July 15. The Secretary will then mail another application for the general election in the voter booklet

sent out in the fall. Both applications and ballots will be postage paid.

Creates early voting for the primary and expands early voting periods: For the first time in Massachusetts, early voting will be available for the state primary, to take place from Saturday, Aug. 22, through Friday, Aug. 28. Early voting for the general election would take place from Tuesday, Oct. 17, to Friday, Oct. 30. Early voting hours would vary according to the size of the municipality in order to give voters ample opportunity to participate while not overburdening small towns' election departments. Voters may return their early voting ballot in the mail, in a secure drop box, or in person.

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she recommended that patients be discharged with lists of resources with contact numbers. However, the doctor chose to redo discharge brochures with the print in larger type and information about primary and specialty doctors with their photos, names and contact information.

Stone said the situation was an example of confirmation bias, which means a person will give more weight to information that supports their existing beliefs.

She also pointed out that racial disparities became even more apparent during COVID-19, when many more white people could do their jobs from home and black workers often must do their work in person if they are cleaners or grocery store workers, where they can repeatedly come in contact with the virus.

Community rally

Patrissi said she attended

Stone said

She also said that in a study done by the Harvard School of Public Health and the U.S. Census Bureau, it was found that communities differed widely on their life expectancy based on income and race. She said New Bedford's life expectancy was 68-years-old, while Newton's was 94, showing that a low-income community with many minorities has poorer health than a well-to-do community that was predominantly white.

Patrissi said it was important for members, many of whom are on the ground providing a variety of social services, to consider and acknowledge systemic racism that is built into society and so, the healthcare system.

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Normand A. Dube



WARE — Normand A. Dube, 85, of Ware, died on Sunday, June 7, 2020, at Willimansett Center West — Chicopee, after a long illness. He was born in St. Hermeneilde, Quebec on Sept. 18, 1934, the twelfth of 13 children of the late Antoine and Agnes (Godbout)

Dube. He leaves his loving wife, Cecile (Valade) Dube, of Ware; his daughter, Nancy Swett, and her husband, James, of Hardwick; his son, Richard Dube, of Ware; and his step-daughter, Johanne Laroche, and her husband, Guy, of Quebec; four grandchildren, Alyssa Chaves, and her husband, Alex, Sean Swett, Marie-Eve Laroche and Sébastien Laroche.

He is survived by two brothers and two sisters, Ferrier (Florine) Dube, Adrienne Sage and Yolande Larochelle, all of Quebec, and Rodolphe Dube, of Springfield, as well as many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by four brothers and four sisters, Leopold Dube, Laurier Dube, Sylvio Dube, Claude Dube, Laurina Audet, Fabiola Bennett, Annette Sideleau and Lillian Salois.

Normand was a member of Local Union 108, of Springfield, the Knights

Death notices

Balicki, Irene L. (Roy)
Died June 8, 2020
Funeral Services will be private
Cebula Funeral Home
Ware

Bermudez, Carlos E.
Died June 9, 2020
Calling hours June 22, 2020
Charbonneau Funeral Home
Ware

Dube, Normand A.
Died June 7, 2020
Private graveside service
Mount Carmel Cemetery
Ware

of Columbus, of Ware, and the Aspen St. Rod and Gun Club, of Ware.

He was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. He enjoyed going deep sea and ice fishing, woodworking, making stained-glass lamps and other beautiful items, and traveling to Canada to visit his family.

A private graveside service for Normand will be held in Mount Carmel Cemetery in Ware. Memorial donations may be made to the Ware Senior Center, 1 Robbins Road, Ware, MA, 01082, make check payable to the Town of Ware with Senior Center on the memo line.

Charbonneau Funeral Home, 30 Pleasant St., in Ware is assisting his family with arrangements.

An online guest book is available at charbonneauth.com.

Ware River News OBITUARY POLICY

Turley Publications offers two types of obituaries.

One is a free, brief Death Notice listing the name of deceased, date of death and funeral date and place.

The other is a Paid Obituary, costing \$100, which allows families to publish extended death notice information of their own choice and may include a photograph.

Death Notices & Paid Obituaries
should be submitted through a funeral home to: obits@turley.com.
Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

Tri-Parish Community Church news

HARDWICK / NEW BRAINTREE — Tri-Parish Community Church services are still on hold due to COVID-19 pandemic. When services resume, they will be at the Trinitarian Congregational Church (Stone Church) in Gilbertville through August.

Update on the Mustard Seed

Typically, a small group of volunteers meet in the New Braintree Town Hall kitchen the third Monday each month to prepare a meal for the Mustard Seed and Jeremiah's Inn in Worcester.

This effort has been put on hold for the last few months due to COVID-19 concerns. It is their intent to resume meal preparations in June by asking volunteers to each prepare 10 bag lunches at home. The lunch will consist of a sandwich, piece of fruit and a dessert. These bag lunches will then be delivered to Worcester. The details will be solidified in the next few weeks.

Hardwick Farmers Market

The Hardwick Farmers Market will open Sunday, June 21, on the Hardwick Common.

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ning immediately by calling Dan at 860-646-9646.

The schedule for the day includes pits opening at 9 a.m., practice starting at 12 p.m., heats starting at 4 p.m. and the feature to follow qualifying. Support divisions will be announced soon. There will be no drivers meeting on race day — teams will be provided a handout with updated race procedures upon entry.

Series officials anticipate the remainder of the 2020 schedule will remain in place. A stop at Star Speedway on Saturday, July 25, is scheduled for the annual SBM 125, followed by another date at Monadnock on August 15. Seekonk Speedway's rescheduled Open Wheel Wednesday for August 26 and the Haunted Hundred on October 24 will wrap the schedule.

For more information on Monadnock Speedway, visit the track at monadnockspeedway.com. For more information on the Tri Track Open Modified Series, visit trittrackmodifieds.com and follow the series on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for the latest updates.

Hardwick Recycling Center re-opens

HARDWICK — The Hardwick Recycling Commission and staff announced the Hardwick Recycling Center reopened on June 10, and will be open during its regular hours: Wednesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon.

The services at the center will be limited to the following: mixed paper/cardboard, comingle (tin cans/plastic) and glass food and beverage bottles.

The center is not accepting redemption bottles and cans at this time. However, they can be recycled in the appropriate comingle or glass compactor/containers listed above.

The compactor area is located at the top section of the center. In an effort to maintain mandatory safety standards for the workplace and the public, the following protocol will be used:

Patrons must wear a mask.

Patrons must remain in their vehicle until signaled by the staff to pull forward and unload.

Patrons must enter the compactor ramp one person at a time and remain there until staff has confirmed that the items are acceptable.

Staff is not allowed to remove or place any items into patrons' cars.

If patrons need assistance in unloading their vehicle they should make arrangements to have someone accompany them to help.

The center's staff thanks everyone for their patience as they work through this together. They want everyone to be assured that they take the safety of the staff and patrons very seriously. It has established a COVID-19 control plan for the Recycling Center that meets the requirements of the state mandatory safety standards that are in line with the Centers for Disease Control.

Staff asks that patrons help in these efforts by wearing a face mask and maintaining social distance.

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6/14/2005



public notices

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Law 105A, for the purpose of satisfying the liens of **Country Corners Storage & Realty**, in order to satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the contents of the following storage units will be sold for non-payment on Saturday, June 27, 2020 at 10 a.m. on the premises of **Country Corners Storage, 50 Greenwich Rd., Ware, MA** (413)967-6095.

Abel Gomez storage building 2 unit 23

Ryan Lynds storage building 2 unit 29

6/18, 6/25/2020

Notice of Public Hearing Planning Board LEGAL NOTICE SP-2020-03

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ware Planning Board, acting as the Special Permit Granting Authority, will hold a Public Hearing on **THURSDAY, JULY 2, 2020 at 7:00 PM** on the application of Patrick Jonsson of Curaleaf Massachusetts, Inc., requesting Modification of Approval for Special Permit (SP-2019-02) and minor Site Plan Review (SPR-2019-01), to add Medical Marijuana sales to an approved and operating adult-use (i.e. recreational) Licensed Marijuana Establishment under Section 4.8.8. of the Zoning Bylaw, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 40A. The hearing will be held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, 126 Main Street, Town Hall, Ware,

MA. The public is encouraged to attend via digital platform Zoom Meetings. Go to <https://zoom.us/join> or join by phone. Phone Number: 929-205-6099; Meeting ID: 784-604-1861; Password: 01082

SITE LOCATION:
124D West Street, Ware, MA. Said premises being further described in deeds recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, Book 9606, Page 318. Said property is also listed on Assessor's Map 56, Lot 94. Zoned: Highway Commercial (HC).

A complete copy of the application can be found at the Town Clerk's office and on the Planning & Community Development Department website under Recent Filings: http://www.townofware.com/departments/planning_department/PlanningBoardRecentFilings.php.

Anyone interested or wishing to be heard on the application should appear at the time and place designated. All interested parties are invited to attend.

WARE PLANNING BOARD
Richard Starodoj, Chairman

6/11, 6/18/2020

TOWN OF WARE Notice of Public Hearing Planning Board LEGAL NOTICE SPR-2020-02

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LOCATION: 167 West Street, Ware, Massachusetts. Said premises being further described in a deed recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, Book 13083, Page 9. Said property is also listed on Assessor's Map 55-0-59. Zoned: Highway Commercial (HC).

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LEGAL NOTICE

The 2019 Water Quality Reports for Gilbertville Water District will be available June 22, 2020. Copies of the reports are available to the public and can be picked up at the Hardwick Municipal building, Gilbertville Post Office or the Gilbertville Library or by calling 413-477-6413.

LEGAL NOTICE

The 2019 Water Quality Reports for Wheelwright Water District will be available June 22, 2020. Copies of the reports are available to the public and can be picked up at the Hardwick Municipal building, Wheelwright Post Office or the Wheelwright Housing or by calling 413-477-6413.

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Tasks the Secretary of State with creating an online portal: The bill requires Secretary Galvin's office to create an online portal by Oct. 1, to make it as easy as possible for people to apply for general election early voting ballots electronically.

Expands absentee voting: The bill provides for absentee voting by any person taking precautions related to COVID-19. Voters may also return absentee ballots via a secure drop box.

Provides tools to assist clerks: Acknowledging the increased burden these options may place on municipalities and clerks, the bill also provides for several accommodations to make the logistics of processing votes easier. The legislation allows for tabulating ballots prior to election day, and it offers pre-addressed envelopes to voters, so their applications go directly to their clerk's office.

Makes in-person voting more efficient: The bill allows municipalities to consolidate polling places and eliminate the check-out table at these locations, allowing for a more efficient process and fewer poll workers. It also expands who is eligible to serve as a poll worker, knowing that many current volunteers are seniors who may feel less comfortable working in public during COVID-19.

The legislation must now be reconciled with the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A NEW LIQUOR LICENSE

TOWN OF WARREN PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

on the Application for a NEW LIQUOR LICENSE.

The Warren Board of Selectmen as the Local Licensing Authority will hold a public hearing on

Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 7:15 PM at the Shepard Municipal Building, 48 High Street, Warren, pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws Chapter 138, §15, on the application of the Wine and Malt Package Store Beverage License for B&P Liquors, Inc. d/b/a Warren One Stop Market, 958 Main Street, Warren, MA naming Usha Nikhil Bhatt as Manager.

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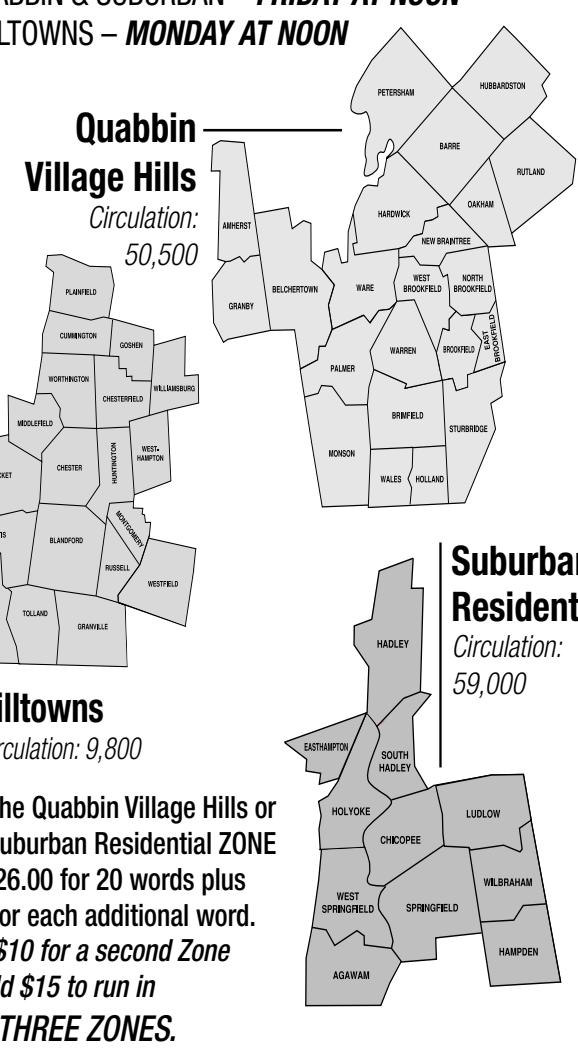
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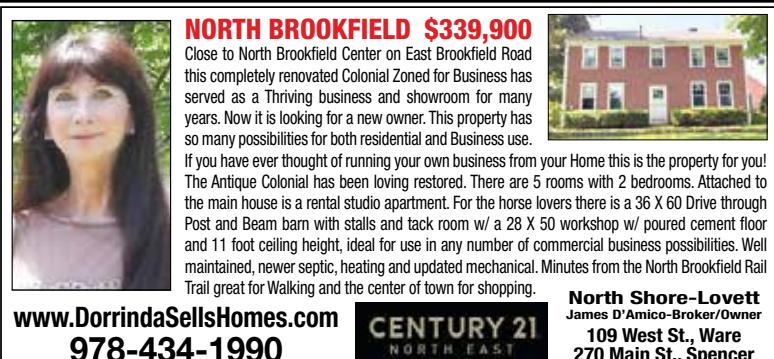
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